

**Meeting
May 3, 2010**

Weekly Report
Week of March 29, 2010

Administrator MCIA: E. Keith Colston

- Assisting Melissa Locklear with resources concerning Family Nurse Practitioner Program (Graduate Program). Possible funding resources to follow-up. Date: (3/22).
- Attended MOTA meeting with Wendy Friar. Attendance: MOTA Partners. Location: Holy Cross Hospital, Montgomery County, MD. Date: (3/11)
- Networking with Carmelia Strickland reference to Lumbee Tribal members in Maryland and Washington, DC area. Scheduled call in conference call concerning Federal Recognition and other topics of discussion for March 23, 2010. Date: (3/22).
- Contacted Linda Shevitz - Educational Equity Specialist Maryland State Department of Education to discuss the Educational Committee for the MCIA. Date: (3/22).
- Confirmed participation with the mentoring session that will take place at Patterson High School for 11th and 12th grade American Indian students. The event will be held on April 14th. More details to follow. MCIA Administrator will be a guest speaker for event. Date: (3/22).
- Continue working on final preparations for the MCIA Legislative Reception.
- Attended East Carolina University 18th Annual Powwow. Location: Greenville, NC. Date: (3/27).
- Assisted Renee Smith - Affiliated Entertainment Industries, Inc. with contacts for Native American performers in the State of Maryland. (3/29)
- Attended Meeting with committee members reference to BAIC annual cultural gathering in July. Location: Baltimore, MD. Date: (3/29).
- Assisted individual with tribal enrollment information concerning Eastern Band Cherokee lineage. Date: (3/31)
- Attended Repass ceremony on behalf of MCIA and GOCI for the family of Wanda Blake - Piscataway tribal member/artist/performer. Wanda Blake passed on March 26, 2010. Location: Waldorf, MD. Date: (3/31).
- Attended the Duke University Native American Student Association (NASA) annual Pow-wow Banquet Dinner. Location: Durham, NC. Date: (4/2).

Weekly Report
Week of April 5, 2010

Administrator MCIA: E. Keith Colston

- Attended the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs Executive and Public Meeting. MCIA Commissioner voted and submitted changes to Regulations. Izzy Patoka and Phil Deters present during executive session. Public meeting – Accohannock Petition officially received by commissioners and stated to public in attendance. Tribal leaders announced annual cultural gatherings to public. Location: Annapolis, MD. Date: (4/5).
- Assisted Lawrence Winston with photos concerning activities with MCIA. The photos will be used for a book Mr. Winston is writing on the Indigenous Tribes of Maryland. Date: (4/6).
- Assisting Joel Dunn – The Conservation Fund with a letter of support letter to the House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Appropriations Committee regarding our group effort to ensure funding for a Chesapeake Treasured Landscapes Initiative in accordance with President Obama's Executive Order to clean and restore the Bay. Date: (4/6).
- Conference call with Mr. Karl Ifert concerning Fair Island project in Maryland. Possible donation for Native Americans in Maryland. Date: (4/7).
- Assisting Iris Reeves concerning Youth Summit with Re-occurring Disorders. Event will be held on May 24th and 25th in Maryland. Will provide me with further details. Administrator has been asked to serve as a speaker for event. Date: (4/7).
- Assisting Dr Carlessia Hussein – Department of Mental Health and Hygiene concerning a Native American to serve on a panel for health disparities. Date: (4/8).
- Assisting Baron Barnes issues concerning daughter attending Milton Somers Middle school located in Charles County, MD during the 2009-2010 school year. The specific issues are the district in which daughter lives in versus the district of the school. Also provided information on Indian Education Program. Mr. Barnes is an enrolled member of the Lumber Tribe. Date: (4/8).
- Attended meeting with Baltimore American Indian Center (BAIC) concerning support for Job Training and Placement Act funding. Result of meeting will be a support letter from Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs (MCIA) to BAIC. Date: (4/8).
- Attend meeting with Holy Cross Hospital reference to health disparities activities in Montgomery County, MD. Location: Silver Spring, MD. Date: (4/9).

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Week of April 12, 2010

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- Assisting Iris Reeves concerning Youth Summit with Re-occurring Disorders. Event will be held on May 24th and 25th in Maryland. Will provide me with further details. Administrator has been asked to serve as a speaker for event. Date: (4/12).

- Assisting Dr Carlessia Hussein – Department of Mental Health and Hygiene concerning a Native American to serve on a panel for health disparities, specifically H1N1. Would like to make contact with a designated moderator(s); form focus group of minimum eight (8) American Indians for five (5) sessions. Will contact Dr. Hussein reference to individuals and resumes/bios. Date: (4/14).
- Assisting Carla Simms with interview on Native American culture. Date: (4/14).
- Attended the Native American People of Verizon Performance, Image, Exposure (P.I.E.) event. Administrator served as a guest speaker to over 40 students including those of the American Indian student population. Administrator informed audience on MCIA and GOCI activities including internships. Location: Patterson High School, Baltimore City. Date: (4/14).
- Attend Conference call for MCIA commissioner concerning COMAR, Petitions and scheduling future meetings. Date: (4/15).

Weekly Report April 19, 2010

Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs

Administrator: E. Keith Colston

- Concluded final details for cultural presentation at Catonsville Elementary School. Administrator will set up booth, display cultural pieces to traditional attire, DVD on Native American dances and give oral presentation on MCIA. Date: (4/20).
- Assisting Stephan Suchan – University of Maryland student concerning American Indian culture. Date: (4/20).
- Contacted John Simmermyer reference to H1N1 group sessions in partnership with Department of Mental Health and Hygiene. Five (5) sessions total to be carried out in various locations in Maryland. Administrator will be moderator for each session. Date: (4/20).
- Assisted Marian Vonnie McCormick – Lower Muskogee Creek Tribe with information concerning the Indigenous tribes of Maryland. Date: 94/20).
- Assisting Baltimore American Indian Center with powwow booklet reference to advertisement for MCIA. Date: (4/20).
- Contacted Chief Elkhorn – Appalachian Cherokee reference to H1N1 group sessions in partnership with Department of Mental Health and Hygiene. Five (5) sessions total to be carried out in various locations in Maryland. Administrator will be moderator for each session. Date: (4/21).
- Attended the 4th Annual Native American Indian Symposium and Family Appreciation Day. The office of Multi-ethnic Student Education Hosted by the University of Maryland undergraduate and graduate Native American Indian Students. Location: University of Maryland, College Park. Date: (4/21).

- Contacted Brian Lynch – Native American artist. Reference to consultant on American Indian jewelry. Possible resource for artist database. Date: (4/21).
- Assisting Monica Long with Celebration of American Heritage on the National Mall in Washington, DC. Event will take place on May 21, 2010. Possible resource for networking for Indigenous Communities in Maryland and the National Museum of the American Indian. Date: (4/21).
- Conducted an interview with Jamie Hale – Student at the University of Maryland, College Park. Interview dealt with Administrator's life experiences dealing with mainstream society and being Native American. Location: GOCI. Date: (4/22).
- Attend meeting with Wendy Friar reference to MOTA funding and events. Location: Silver Spring, MD. Date: (4/23).
- Attending the Queen Anne's County Arts Council will host "Catching Shadows" featuring tintype portraits and voice recordings of 21st century Native Americans currently living on Maryland's Eastern Shore. The event takes place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., with a panel discussion from 5:30 to 6:30 and a free reception following the event. RSVP for this event by calling Darcey Schoeninger at 410-758-2520. Date: (4/23).

Weekly Report April 26, 2010

Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs

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- Attended the Catonsville Elementary School International Day. Information table set up with Native American clothing, weapons and beadwork. Demonstrated Native American "round dance" with audience participation. Literature handouts given. Location: Catonsville, MD. Date: (4/24).
- Directed, lectured and performed for Mary W. Conaway –Register of Wills and Pastor at Cecil Memorial United Methodist Church. Other performer included: Keith Cox – Lumbee and Jason Warwick – Lumbee/Eastern Band Cherokee. Possible networking with Korean Drumming Group for future International Event for GOCI. Location: Annapolis, MD. Date: (4/25).
- Assisted Ken Keys – Green Meadows Farm, with Native American performer (Jay Hill – Seneca) for cultural presentations – job assistance. Location: Jessup, MD. Date: (4/27).
- Assisted George Starfish – Tribe not identified, with information concerning the Indigenous tribes of Maryland, petition process and Lumbee issues. Via Telephone. Date: 94/20).
- Assisted Frieda Minner – Lumbee, volunteer with the Baltimore American Indian Center (BAIC). Provided Mrs. Minner with contact information for the Tribal leaders in Maryland for future partnerships and networking concerning the museum located at the BAIC. Follow with a meeting with Mrs. Minner and the Director for the BAIC for May 5th, 2010. Date: (4/28).

- Presented a lecture on the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs (MCIA) and the Governor's Office of Community Initiative (GOCI) at the Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC). Contact person for event – Stephanie Molholt, PhD – Assistant Professor of History, Catonsville Campus and Troy Brown – Student at CCBC. Dennis Seymour – Assistant Dean for CCBC gave opening remarks and introduction. Event held concerning the Native American student organization which began this week on campus. MCIA will be a resource for the group. Location: Catonsville, MD. Date: (4/28).
- Attend the Lumbee Spring Pow-wow "Dance of the Spring Moon". Will aid in transporting dancers and singers to event. Will represent the Lumbees of Maryland and MCIA during event. Location: Lumberton, NC. Date: (4/30 to 5/2)